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EDMONTON, ALBERTA, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28, 1953

St. Albert News Briefs

Don't forget that the annual bazaar will start the week of Feb. 9, ending with a dance in the Community Hall on Monday, Feb. 16.

One of the houses on the Siebert farm was completely destroyed by fire. Mr. and Mrs. Plamondon, who were living in it at the time, lost all their possessions.

Fred Atkins made a trip to Lansing, Michigan, and returned with a trailer.

Mrs. Horricks Sr. is hospitalized as a result of a fall, and Larry Vague is hospitalized as a result of an operation for appendicitis. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

The Group Committee held a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roberge on Monday evening, Jan. 19. Arrangements were made for a Scout and Cub father and son banquet in the Parish Hall. The tentative date is Sunday, March 1. They also plan to hold the annual amateur concert sometime during Lent. Also Mr. Roberge is arranging a hockey schedule for the Cubs.

Mrs. Don Englund, Doris and Lawrence LeChak are employed by Mrs. H. MacDonald as telephone operators.

An elimination curling game toward the provincial high school bazaar, to be played at a later date in Edmonton, was played in St. Albert on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 24. St. Albert won against Glenora and this same rink will play another elimination game against Stony Plain at Stony Plain next Saturday afternoon. The rink representing St. Albert was: Skip, Gerald Vague; third, Lawrence LeChak; second, Rene Brodeur; lead, Andre Roussell. Thanks go to school principal, Mr. Feldchik, for permitting this.

It is reported that Mr. Guy Beaud and boys have erected the new basketball standards. Thanks go to Mr. Raboud for arranging a game between local boys and Westlock in the gym some time next week.

The motion picture machine has been repaired. Please watch the posters for the next picture show to be shown by Mr. Raboud in the school auditorium.

A few weeks ago the Home and School Association proposed that hot lunches of either soup or cocoa be served at the school. Mr. Hochberg has organized a student committee to handle it, which has been duly registered under the Provincial Government as a Co-op. Hot lunches are served to approximately 160 students per day. Two girls are delegated each week to make the soup or cocoa. Two boys then carry it in thermos jugs to the two other buildings in which the primary grades are housed.

The St. Albert badminton club is still very active. They are expecting to be return guests of the South Edmonton Badminton Club in the near future. Bill Beesek and Lawrence LeChak represented their town at a meeting at the Edmonton Badminton Club gymnasium on Jan. 23. There, they witnessed some very fine badminton playing. Another meeting is to be held there at a future date.



CANADIAN DESIGNS ON DISPLAY — This is combined living and dining area in a model Canadian house which was recently erected in Thorncrest Village, Ontario. All the furniture shown is of original Canadian design and is listed in the Canadian Design Index, a record of good design maintained by the National Gallery of Canada. A duplicate of this room is being featured in the opening exhibition of the new "Design Centre" in Ottawa this February. Operated by the National Gallery of Canada in co-operation with the National Industrial Design Committee, this Centre which is immediately adjacent to Confederation Square, is readily accessible to visitors to Ottawa.

Plans Proceeding For "Shoppersville" Shopping Centre North Of Edmonton

By ART WALTERS, Secretary-Treasurer

EDMONTON — The Greater Edmonton Shopping Centres Ltd., represented by Mr. Landers, is furthering plans for the establishment of a modern shopping centre in the Municipal District of Sturgeon north of the city. The company is concerned about provision for water and sewerage services in connection with the proposed Shopping Centre to be located within the bounds of the Municipality. Council promised Mr. Landers that the matter would be investigated.

The Council was also asked if the necessary By Law could be passed at this time respecting the hours of business. By Law No. 481 that the Municipal District of Sturgeon will not at any time hereafter impose any restrictions as to hours within which business may be carried on in the area from time to time used for the purpose of the said Shopping Centre was given three readings and passed unanimously.

The following is a complete report of the Council Meeting of the Municipal District of Sturgeon No. 50 held on Thursday, January 15, 1953 at the Municipal Office. With all Councilors in attendance, Reeve T. W. Rowsell called the meeting to order and on the motion of Coun. Geo. Holmes, the Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

Monthly Financial Statement submitted by the Reeve together with Statement of Public Works was accepted on the motion of Coun. Laszewski, and ordered filed.

Assessment Roll. On the motion of Coun. Hrynchak the Assessment Roll as at Dec. 31 1952 was adopted for 1953.

Patrol Operator. Application of

R. W. Schneider of Bon Accord for position of patrol operator, was placed before the Council for consideration and on the motion of Coun. Laszewski Mr. Schneider was appointed Patrol Operator.

Salvation Army. Letter from Capt. Fleming giving a brief outline of services rendered during 1952.

Calgary Power Co. Petition from the Legal Rural Electrification Assoc. Ltd. together with plans, applying for consent of the Council to erect Poles and Transformers in Townships 57 and 58 Rge. 24 N. 4th. M. and on the motion of Coun. Holmes permission was granted.

Dept. of Industries and Labour. Letter with regard to the grading of road adjacent to Power Line Poles and pointing out it would be advisable for all Municipalities to notify Power Company when road grading is to be done where there are any power lines, so that the Company may take steps to protect the Power Poles. Noted.

Alta. Assoc. of M.D.s. Information regarding rates for graveling. Noted.

Alta. Civil Defence. Letter that first course of winter training will (Continued on Page 2)

Athabasca Member Urges New Rail Line Through Lac la Biche And Peace River

OTTAWA — J. M. Dechene, Liberal member for the Federal Constituency of Athabasca has proposed a resolution which, if acted upon, would put a main line railway through the four western provinces, probably linking Prince Albert, Cold Lake, Lac la Biche, Falher and the Peace River district with Winnipeg on the East and the West Coast.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Dechene's resolution was reported as follows in Hansard:

No 17

January 14, Mr. Dechene: The following proposed Resolution: That, in the opinion of this House in view of the tremendous developments which have taken place in the northern part of the provinces of Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, and further in view of the urgency for the construction of a Pacific outlet through the Peace River Pass to provide the shortest and cheapest outlet for their enormously increased production, it is expedient that the program entered upon some years ago by the two great transportation systems for the construction of a new great artery of these systems in the northern part of the western provinces, including the construction of the gaps from Sig. Walburg, Saskatchewan, to Grand Centre, Alberta, and from Peace River, Alberta, to Heintzburg, Alberta, and from Grand Centre to Lac la Biche, Athabasca and the Peace River country, be considered by the proper authorities at the earliest possible date.

To bring the resolution to the attention of Newspaper Editors, Mr. Dechene sent out copies of Hansard with the following letter: Dear Sir,

You will find with this letter copy of No. 25 of the Routine Proceedings and Orders of the Day, of the House of Commons. On page 26 of the same you will also find note Resolutions Nos. 14, and 17 listed by Mr. George Murray, M.P. for Carleton, B.C. and by myself, respectively.

We took this action pursuant to the report published in the Ottawa Journal of Monday, December 22nd last, emanating from Edmonton and reporting a meeting between the Premiers of Alberta and British Columbia. Amongst the recommendations that these honorable gentlemen make is one which is of great importance to us in Athabasca, relating to the construction of the long projected western outlet through the Peace River country to the west coast.

In that article and in these meetings, the two honourable gentlemen evidently overlooked the fact that in order to induce the Railway companies to proceed with the construction of this line involving a (continued on page 11)



MR. J. M. DECHENE, M.P.

Scout Hockey News

On Friday, January 23, the St. Albert Scouts went down to defeat, as they were beaten 4-1 by the 8th Troop from the Highland. The game was held at the North Stadium rink on 111 Ave. and 51 Street. St. Albert's lone goal was scored by Rene Morin, unassisted, in the third period. St. Albert's substitute goalkeeper was Maurice Roberge, who played a very good game. Three penalties were given to various players. Our thanks to Const. Riley and Mr. J. Mahers for transportation.

In another game on Sunday, against St. Leon, St. Albert emerged late in the third period behind 2-1 score to beat them 5-2. The game was quite rough, but every one came out okay. Neither team scored during the first period. In the second period Emil Charco scored for St. Leon followed by Lloyd Cunningham for St. Albert to tie the score one all. No penalties were handed out. Early in the third period Robert Brande scored for St. Leon to lead 2-1. Then, with ten minutes to go, St. Albert opened up, as Brad Egan, assisted by George Hudson, tied the score. Immediately following this Lloyd Cunningham, assisted by Alan Maloney, scored his second goal of the afternoon. With about four minutes to go, Robert Savien scored two goals, one right after the other, both assisted by Brad Egan, to make the score 5-2. Two penalties were handed out during this period, one to each team.

Correction

EDMONTON — Recently it was published in the Morning Edition of the Edmonton Journal that a Regular Health Clinic would be held as a regular feature on the First and Third Tuesdays of each month.

This Health Clinic is the Lac Ste. Anne Clinic and is not the Sturgeon Health Clinic as could have been construed from the article. The editor regrets any inconvenience which may have been caused through this discrepancy.

D.A. Addresses 4-H Club

ST. ALBERT — Mr. Howard Fisher, District Agriculturalist, gave an interesting talk at the meeting of the St. Albert-Namur 4-H Beef Calf Club on January 27. Individual problems met in feeding meat here calves were discussed fully. The next meeting will be a social evening at which films will be shown. Interested visitors are cordially invited to this meeting, which will be held during the first week of March.

Plans Proceeding For "Shopperville"

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commence end of January, or early February, and names of applications are requested.

Assessment. Commission. Notice that appeal of H. Normandin against Personal Property Assessment has been dismissed.

Sturgeon Health Unit. Fourth Quarterly Report for period Oct. to Dec. 1952 was submitted to Council, and on the motion of Coun. Laszewski the Report was accepted and ordered filed.

M.D. Lac Ste. Anne. Letter relative to Co-terminous boundaries of Municipal and School Divisions of districts, suggesting a meeting of various representatives west of Edmonton. On the motion of Reeves Rowswell letter was tabled for investigation.

Site 183 Lac la Biche Subdivision. Secretary Informed Council that he had notified N.A.R. that road plans had now been cancelled and that this crossing could now be closed.

By Law No. 479. Cancellation of \$7.35. By Law now approved by Minister of Municipal Affairs, third reading was given to this By Law on the motion of Coun. G. Holmes.

Part Block E. Edmonton Settlement. Application to separate southern part of Block E containing approx. 2 acres for School and Church purposes. Permission granted provided same is surveyed and registered in the Land Titles Office for School and Church purposes.

Banking. Moved by Coun. Holmes that the Secretary be authorised when the office is moved to North Edmonton, to open an account with the Royal Bank of Canada and have cheque books printed.

By Law No. 480. By Law to purchase from The Union Tractor and Equipment Company one D8 Cat Tractor for the sum of \$24,570. P.O.B. Edmonton was given three readings.

Consolidation of Acreage. Application to consolidate into one block, Block X part Block Y, and part lot 14 Block H together with streets, Alkanholme Subdivision. On the motion of Coun. Holmes permission was granted for the consolidation of the said parcels, subject to the approval of The Public Utilities Board.

Janitor. On the motion of Coun. Karchoch, application of Mrs. M. Doskoeh for the position of Janitor for the new office at the salary of \$75 per month was accepted.

PT. NE31-53-23-1 Lot 4 Plus S18 ET. Pt. Trail. Application to divide Lot 4 containing 10 acres into 2 parcels of 5 acres each fronting the Fort Trail, with only one entrance to highway. In the discussion that followed it was the opinion of the Council that the land contained between the 2 railways forming a V should not have been subdivided in the first place, and by dividing Lot 4 it would create 2 narrow parcels fronting on to the highway and that further subdividing of these parcels should not be allowed. The application therefore, could not be approved.

Rezoning. R2/LS14 Section 18-52-23-4, 20 acres. Application to have this parcel known as Day Subdivision rezoned from "Small Farms" to "Commercial District" was tabled for the time being, and Counsellors Rowswell and Holmes together with the Secretary, appointed a committee to survey Day Subdivision and the land adjacent east to the River for Re-zoning purposes.

Zoning By Law. Draft By Law to amend Zoning and Building By Law No. 435 submitted by the Secretary was tabled, pending report of the committee at a later date.

Coyote Control. The Secretary reported that he had as per instructions, placed a notice in the Edmonton Sun asking for applications for appointment of Control Officers. but to date had had no

applications. It was the opinion of the Council that the matter of Coyote Control be tabled for the time being, as it would appear that our residents were indifferent to the destruction of Coyotes.

Assessor. Mr. Sid Gee was appointed Assessor for 1953 on the motion of Coun. M. Hrynchuk.

Sale of Land. Application to purchase NE36-59-24-4 and NW31-59-23-4 was submitted to the Council, and on the motion of Coun. P. Laszewski the application was tabled.

Mothers Allowance. Two applications received and Secretary instructed to forward same to Dept. of Welfare, with the Council's recommendations.

Complaints. Bridge NW35-58-23-4 that the deck of this bridge is very bad and the Secretary was instructed to write Bridge Dept. of the Provincial Government requesting that a new bridge be quickly as quickly as possible.

Dumping Refuse. Residents are again reminded that anyone found dumping refuse on road allowances will be prosecuted, and residents should obtain license number of trucks or cars with trailers, and forward to the Municipal Office.

Salaries. The Secretary submitted a Schedule of annual increases together with a Maximum Salary Attainable by the office staff, for consideration of the Council. The Reeve thought that such a Schedule should have been adopted some years ago. After some discussion, no action upon setting a Schedule of Salary Increases or Maximum Salaries was taken. On the motion of Coun. Holmes all staff salaries were increased \$200 per year effective date 1st January 1953.

Prairie Fires. Fire Guardian reported slow burning fire in Post Marsh on sect. 6-57-21-4. As this land is in M.D. Smoky Lake the Secretary has notified M.D. Smoky Lake stating this fire might get dangerous and necessary precautions should be taken before it is too late.

Office Building. It was moved by Coun. Geo. Carleton that the rent to be charged The Sturgeon Health Unit for the whole of the second floor be \$150.00 per month for the first year, and to include water, light, heat and janitor service, and should it be found that the cost is less, then the rent will be decreased, should cost to the Municipality be higher, then the rent will increase accordingly.

Highway No. 28. Coun. Hrynchuk reports that part of Highway No. 28 seems to have been abandoned by the Provincial Government and the Secretary was instructed to ascertain from the Provincial Highway Dept. if part of the highway 28 in the bounds of this district had been abandoned.

On the motion of Coun. Hrynchuk accounts and pay sheets listed and presented to the Council were passed and ordered paid.

On the motion of Reeves Rowswell the meeting adjourned to meet again on Thursday, February 19th, 1953 at 9:30 a.m.

Alcomdale News Briefs

Winners for the card party held Saturday, Jan. 24, were as follows: Cribbage, ladies, first, Miss Hedy Mollenkopf; consolation, Miss Grace Libke; gentlemen, first, Mr. Arthur Gil; consolation, Mr. Elwood Benson. Whist: ladies, first, Heather Benson; consolation, Mrs. Ward Fulton. Gents, first, Mr. Paul Leland; consolation, Mr. Wm. Gray.

In hospital seriously ill is Harry Farlies.

Home from hospital is Mrs. C. A. Ferguson, who underwent a major operation, and little Diana Sime, who had pneumonia.

Services Held For N. M. Ross

ST. ALBERT — Funeral services for the late Mr. Neil Ross of St. Albert who passed away on Jan. 12, at the age of 81 years, were held on Jan. 16 at 9:30 at the Roman Catholic Church, St. Albert.

Rev. E. Tardiff officiated at the Requiem High Mass. Interment took place in the family plot in the church cemetery.

Fall mourners were: J. Eckert, F. Jackson, A. Potter, E. Maheux, E. Perron, A. Kennedy.

Mrs. A. Kennedy sang the solo, "Nearer My God To Thee."

A son, Cameron, predeceased him in 1926, his loving wife, Mary, in 1947, and a son, Colin, Jan. 7, 1952. He leaves to mourn his loss two daughters and one son, Mrs. H. D. Armstrong, Alice, Lorette and Neil; one brother, Rev. C. F. Ross, Antigonish, N.S.; also nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Paral tributes were received from: The Family: Eunice, Phil and children; Vic and Wally; Mrs. C. Ross; Directors of N.A.D. Pool; Management and Staff, Texaco Exploration Co.; Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Kent; Mr. and Mrs. V. Lindenburg; The Jenkins Family; Bell Bros. and families; Samis Coleridge; Alice and Bill; Mr. and Mrs. Maheux and family; Mr. and Mrs. H. Nesom; Mr. and Mrs. T. Atkinson; Mr. and Mrs. E. Atkinson; Mr. and Mrs. L. Aikens; Edith Charlie and Bertha; Mrs. Maucke, Dorothy and Vern; Lil and Don; Mr. and Mrs. J. Pederson and family; Mr. and Mrs. Van Hauck and Joe; Mrs. Worton and Bill; Clara and Adolph; Nettie and Stan; Edna and Harry; Pat and Norman; and Bill; Mrs. Mary Beth and Mel; Mary and John; Ethel and Mel; Margie and George; Olive and Vervin; Mildred and Mac; Ardis Wood; Gerlie Chapman; Minnie McConnell; Emily Gledhill.

Spiritual tributes were made by the following: The Family: Eunice and Phil; Mrs. C. Ross; Rev. J. A. MacLean; Sisters of Charity, St. Vincent's Convent; Sisters of Charity, St. Andrew's Convent; Sister M. Rose, Bethlehem, Manitoba; Judge McLean; Mr. and Mrs. E. Maheux and family; Mr. and Mrs. E. Perron; Mr. and Mrs. A. Kennedy; Margaret, Frank, Dave Javel; Mr. and Mrs. Alex McEwen; Cecile, Adam and Alice Marie Blair; Doris and Bert; Mr. and Mrs. G. Feinberg and family; Mayme and Margaret; Mr. and Mrs. L. McLeod; Mary and Jack Wilson; L. and A. Gaudin; Mari and Jos. Rosenthal and family; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff MacMillan; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cassidy; Margaret and Bill O'Donnell.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Kallal, Ken and Lawrence; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Perron; Mrs. Clarette Kremer and sons; Mr. and Mrs. J. Salinger; Mrs. Anna Carson; The Convent of St. Mary, Leo Perron; Miss Mary Maloney; Mr. and Mrs. R. Gatten; Mr. and Mrs. G. Gaulin; Mr. and Mrs. A. Gaulin; Helen and Emile; and Mary; Joseph and Ben; Leonard; Elsie and Albert Jones; Tom Conway; T. E. McGowan; Mr. and Mrs. G. Rabaud; Mrs. M. Cassidy and family; Mr. and Mrs. A. Gervais; Mrs. F. W. Phelan; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Cassidy; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pidulski; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McDonald; Mr. and Mrs. E. Savoie; Mr. and Mrs. A. Lema; Mr and Mrs. J. McLeod; Mr. and Mrs. A. McLeod; Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Goss and family; Belmune Family; R. Belmune; Bokenfohr; Mrs. M. Joval; Mr. and Mrs. P. Polaway; Mr. and Mrs. M. Hattinger; Mr. and Mrs. H. Wright; Miss C. MacDonald;

Mr. and Mrs. M. Verstraete; Tom Ducey and family; Mrs. A. Cheigny and Marie; Mr. and Mrs. W. Maloney and family; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Veness; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vaugooie; Mr. and Mrs. H. Lamer; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cassidy; Joe Bellisle and family; T. Barry, Tommy and Betty; Mrs. L. Brennan; Mr. and Mrs. L. Antherien; Mr. and Mrs. J. Barbeau; Mrs. Dixon, Kay and Jack; Mr. and Mrs. J. Cormack; Mr. and Mrs. A. Morin; Mr. and Mrs. E. Morisroe; Mrs. Irene Hawkes; Margaret and Austin; Mr. D. Bard; Mr. P. Boyle; Mr. and Mrs. S. Yakubowski and family; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Duggan; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kallal; Mavis and Bernard. Roy and Theresa; Mr. and Mrs. A. MacDonald; Mr. and Mrs. H. Stanton; Kay and Frank; Joe and Evelyn Morrisroe; Florence and Lela; Marguerite and Geo. Frend; Lela and Martin Lind; Clarice and Evan Olson, Hilmar Daggsdottir; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gordon; Mr. and Mrs. A. McGillis; The Batemans; Miss A. Leonard; Mr. and Mrs. R. MacDonald; Mr. and Mrs. W. Paré; Rene Terrault; Mr. and Mrs. D. Barry; Mr. and Mrs. P. Iseke; Mr. and Mrs. B. Iseke; Mrs. E. Deane; E. Flynn; Mrs. Michélot and Theresa; Mrs. H. Michélot;

Rabid Coyote Near Capital

EDMONTON—A confirmed case of rabies has been found within 15 miles of Edmonton.

Dr. E. E. Ballantyne, Alberta, director of veterinary services, reported laboratory tests showed rabies in a coyote killed four miles northeast of Morinville.

This was the closest to Edmonton a confirmed case has been reported since outbreak of the rabies epidemic which resulted in a federal quarantine in movement of dogs in northern Alberta to 20 miles south of Edmonton.

A trapper in the Spirit River area 260 miles northwest of Edmonton reported eight foxes dead along his trapline.

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LAST EXPRESS HORSE RETIRES—“Frank”, a faithful 18-year-old chestnut gelding stationed at Melfort, Sask., and the only horse in Canadian National Express service since 1950, last week was retired. His place and that of the express wagon was taken by a shiny, new two-ton truck, which now completely motorizes the company's service throughout Canada and brings its fleet of trucks to 800. The 1350-pound gelding had many admirers in Melfort during the 11 years he worked there, and several of them offered to provide a good home for him in retirement. A nearby farm was selected where “Frank” is assured an easy life, with no plows or other heavy work to worry about. With “Frank” are his two drivers, James Richardson (left) and James Davis, both of whom were a little reluctant to see the horse leave active duty.—Canadian National Railways Photograph.

A Fruit Orchard On The Farm

OTTAWA — A farm orchard should be no larger than to provide fruit for the family, and limited by the amount of labor the farm operator finds available for the culture. For the average home about twelve fruit trees, well cared for, will supplement the strawberry and currant patch to provide a year-round supply of fresh and preserved fruit, says R. J. Gorbey, Experimental Farm, Brandon, Man.

Besides choosing varieties for

a definite use, and selecting disease-free stock, it is important to plant only hardy trees. Illustration Station Farm Operators have found the following crab-apple varieties hardy and satisfactorily productive: Bedford, Dolgo and Osman. Standard apples are generally not quite as hardy. The Heyer No. 12 variety is, however, recommended. Among medium-sized apples the variety Rescue is hardy. Improved standard native plums such as Bounty and Northern are good. Sandcherry x plum hybrids found satisfactory are Dura, Manor, Opata and Sapa.

Our Weekly CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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BRITISH FIRM TO OPEN EDMONTON PLANT

EDMONTON — (BUP) — A British-owned company with branches from London to Borneo and interests ranging from cosmetics to elephants, has entered the brick manufacturing business here.

Borneo Co. Ltd. purchased a brick and tile plant on the city's northwestern outskirts, and when a \$2,000,000 modernization and building program is completed the firm will become the largest producer of bricks in Western Canada.

C. Coustos, managing director of the newly-formed Alexandra Brick and Tile Co. (Canada) Ltd., said output would be increased about 500 per cent when the streamlined plant goes into production in 1954. Output will be boosted from 5,000,000 bricks in 1952 under the former owners to 25,000,000 bricks yearly.

The stepped-up production may signal a gradual revolution in home construction on the prairies, where at present lumber has been the main material used in house-building.

Coustos emphasized, however, the chief current demand was for structural clay products for new industrial buildings, offices and apartment blocks in this boom city.

Many of the old buildings at the Alexandra plant are being demolished and old machinery is being replaced by new equipment. The new plant will eventually cover 75 per cent more ground space than the old one and the work force will be about 50 men, some of them highly-skilled specialists.

The latest method of “burning” bricks, in tunnel kilns, will be adopted because it is economical on fuel. The company will use natural gas as fuel as it is easily available in the Edmonton area in vast quantities.

Coustos, who was manager of Borneo's huge brick plant in Singapore for many years, said the firm holds no fear brick production will be held up for lack of raw material. The plant is located on clay deposits which are expected to last for more than 100 years at peak production rate.

It is the Borneo company's first venture on this continent but in the Far East the firm has a vast trading empire, carved out 100 years ago in the spirit and tradition of the great merchant adven-

turers. There are major branches in Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Borneo and other rich countries of the Orient.

The company's vast operations include lumbering in the great teak forests of northern Siam, where elephants provide the “horse-power”; tin mining; managing rubber estates; engineering; rice trading; production of tea; auto dealing; acting as agent for shipping, insurance and airways companies; and import and export of products ranging from facepowder and crocodile skins to refrigerators and light railways.

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In Great Britain criticism is being directed at farmers with the failure to produce abundantly. The same charge cannot be laid against the farmers of the prairie provinces in western Canada.

In the 900 miles sweep across these prairie provinces there are about 230 thousand farmers engaged in grain production. This year they planted 43,209,000 acres of wheat, oats, barley, rye and flax.

The federal government's estimate of the total grain production in this region is 1,302,350,000 bushels — 632 million bushels of wheat, 315 million bushels of oats, 285 million bushels of barley, 233 million bushels of rye and 12 million bushels of flax.

This seedling was done last spring about the same time that harvesting had to be completed on a large percentage of last year's crop. On many farms harvesting and seedling proceeded at the same time.

If there is another group of 230 thousand farmers anywhere in the world which can fill the record of these western Canadian grain producers, we would like to hear about them!

Dr. L. C. Newman, who recently retired as Dominion Cerealist after a long lifetime of valuable effort devoted to the advancement of Canadian agriculture—has been applying himself on his farm in Ontario, among other things, to experiments with fertilizers. Dr. Newman has applied fertilizer on some poor parts of his farm in quantities far in excess of those usually recommended. The results have been startling. The fields that have shown the greatest profit have been those which had applied to them the greatest amounts of fertilizer. Here, then, is something in practical land management that is worth the attention of all farmers. It would be well while for farmers themselves to make careful experiments, using on small plots much larger amounts of fertilizer than they have been in the habit of doing, and to take careful note of the costs and the yields.

We must remember that much of what we are doing in agriculture is still in the elementary stage, and that a farmer with his practical work can make experiments and might find things out that may be of benefit to all other farmers. The idea should be to take nothing absolutely for granted, but to try all kinds of things on a small scale. Something valuable may occasionally come out of such experiments as it did with Dr. Newman.

Doctors Everts A. Graham, Ernest Wynder and Adele B. Croninger, of Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, and Memorial Center New York, reported recently to the National Academy of Sciences that tar from cigarette smoke will produce cancers in mice when painted on skin over a period of one year.

Previously, the subject of lung cancer, as affected by cigarette smoking, had been treated by Dr. Graham and by English scientists. These studies, Dr. Graham said, show that, in cases of cancer of the lung, a history of excessive cigarette smoking for a period of years is almost always found. He also asserted that it was rare to find a case in a non-smoker.

Since lung cancer is increased so much in frequency in the last few decades, the subject is an important one. Dr. Graham reports that lung cancer is now the most common internal cancer found among males. These reports, while possibly not all-conclusive to many, cast an interesting light on some of the aspects of smoking. The statement that lung cancer is rarely found in non-smokers certainly should encourage the group, even if it does not discourage the smokers.

The most important thought I ever had was that of my individual responsibility toward God.

—Daniel Webster.

The latest attempt to conquer Mount Everest has ended in failure. A courageous Swiss mountain-climbing expedition reached a height of over 27,550 feet in a game, but unsuccessful, effort to surmount the 29,002-foot peak.

The Swiss Alpine Research Foundation in Zurich, Switzerland, says the climbers were forced to turn back in spite of a great effort to reach the top, which cost the life of one Nepalese porter and injured three others.

The expedition was led by Dr. Gabriel Chevalley, a 32-year-old Geneva surgeon. Though it is not confirmed, it is reported that three climbers made a final camp on November 19th, which was only a few hundred feet from the top of the world's highest mountain. A last desperate try to reach the peak was scheduled for the next day, but thirty degree-below-zero cold and raging winds, which hurled stones through the air, forced the three to surrender and leave Everest unconquered.

The expedition was an extremely costly one, in that it cost a man his life and injuries to three others. Though we have not been able to appreciate mountain-climbing in some degree, we must nevertheless admit it holds a certain fascination for many. However, the reward is small in view of the human life risked. While a successful scaling of the highest peak would be an example to the world in courage and adventure, it would nevertheless not bring back to life the three who have died in the attempt to conquer Everest. We are inclined to think that the plans of at least one country, through which climbers must pass, to forbid future attempts, has much merit. Even a completely successful ascent is not worth the life of any one of the victims the mountain has already claimed.

The federal government is understood to have lost some \$31½ million to date in its efforts to support hog prices by buying canned pork. About 16,500,000 lbs. has been sold by the government, but it still holds another 49 million lbs. Almost \$39 million had been invested in canned pork and sales have realized \$5,700,000. The canned pork is being offered at about 40 cents a lb. compared with the purchase price of about 57 cents.

By Mrs. Paul O. Snyder

It was just before Christmas, and my sister Gladys, who had saved \$50 from her year's pay to spend for herself, was trying to decide what she wanted most among the enticements of a large department store.

The sobbing of a little girl in the crowded aisle interrupted her shopping. "My mommy's losted," the child wailed. She was a forlorn little thing of about three, in a dirty soiled dress and worn-out shoes.

For Christmas, I made friends with the lost little girl and then took her to the children's department. She bought her a complete outfit — underclothes, shoes, socks, dress, coat, hat and mittens. In the ladies' room, she scrubbed her and shampooed her hair. Then on went the new clothes and into the wastebasket went the rags. A trip to the toy department finished the day and she came home happy baby, clutching a doll, a balloon and a string of beads. I was lost. Found. Kissing her, Gladys left quickly.

I've often wished I had seen the mother's face when she claimed her little girl.

Personally, we would be delighted if some scientists would let us know how to cure a cold.

* * *

You may be able to find a good excuse for anything, but this won't get you anywhere in the long run.

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WALTER H. SMITH.
Eastchester Branch,
Anchorage, Alaska.

SODIUM FLUORIDE BAD?

I wish everyone could read the record of how Seattle made a mistake and see what a terrible shame it would be for our young folks and also old people to have the deadly fluoridation of drinking water. Fluoridation of drinking water is insanity.

Edmonton. B. G. F.

MOAN FROM MONTREAL

There are 41,000 more female than males in Montreal by latest count. Yet I, a tall, young, single traveller from the West, find that I cannot get a date. Are the girls in Montreal just snobbish, or is my social handicap (I don't drink) too much to overcome?

DISCOURAGED ROMEO.
Montreal, Que.

ONLY RAT POISON?

Sodium Fluoride is only rat poison and should never be put in water intended for human consumption as you recommend in your editorial.

In peacetime some people couldn't live with one part 1,000,000. In war an enemy could add five or ten parts with fatal results (to us).

This stuff caused tooth decay in vicinity of a bauxite mine in Missouri some years ago. Is that what you are now recommending to kill tooth decay now? Think over!

WOODWARD,
Boyle, Alta.

MASTER OF MIND

A man is master of his mind if he can say "I" and "I can" aside my sensations, emotions, passions, desires, intellects, faculties, and all the rest of my mental collection of tools, as "my" things—and still there remain something—and that something—"I" which cannot be set aside in me, for it is my very self, my own self; my real self—"I". That which remains after all that may be set aside, is set aside, is the "I" my self eternal, constant, unchangeable.

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POOL PAYS \$1,161,000 FOR ELEVATOR RESERVES

Cheques totalling \$1,161,000 were mailed from the head office of the Alberta Wheat Pool Saturday to complete the purchase of reserves contributed by Pool members in the 1923-28 period.

When the Wheat Pool was organized in 1923 it was decided to make deductions from the returns on grain deliveries by members to provide capital and build an elevator system. These deductions were two cents a bushel on wheat delivered for elevator purposes and one cent to provide for capital. The total thus realized was about \$8,400,000.

The original plan provided for the continuation of the policy of making deductions from members who joined later and making repayment to those who made the earlier contributions.

Financial difficulties originating in the depression prevented the plan from being carried out. In 1941-42 the Pool delegates at convention approved a plan to purchase elevator reserves and each year since then substantial amounts from the earnings of the Pool were devoted to this purpose. This last payment clears up completely the original reserve deductions.

The reserves so purchased have been redistributed in the form of patronage dividends. Such dividends are paid partly in cash and partly in reserves.

There will be immediate purchase of reserves which have been paid in the form of patronage

dividends except in the case of deceased members. There are now patronage dividend reserves involved in estates of deceased members to the amount of \$300,000.

These patronage dividends will be redeemed and the payment made during March.

Quiz No. 103

1. Name the two Canadians who were co-discoverers of insulin.
2. Only who may introduce into the House of Commons a bill involving the spending by the government of the public money?
3. On the average, how many persons in a Canadian household?
4. Average income per capita in 1940 was \$775 in Britain, \$311 in Russia, \$820 in Sweden. What was it in Canada?
5. How much does each Canadian pay per year to support Ottawa's family allowance, old age pensions and other welfare payments?

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It also demonstrates the value of the complete provisions that have been made over the past years for the interconnection of practically all the power lines of the Province. By reason of this, failure of supply at any point can be overcome by energy drawn from any of a number of generating stations, either of Canadian Utilities Limited, or of other Companies or Corporations. In this particular emergency, Calgary Power was able to meet the need of the situation, but, should such a necessity arise, practically the whole generating capacity of the province could be made available.

As nearly as can be determined the natural gas explosion was confined to the switchboard structure to which gas had seeped in from outside the building. While the explosion was definitely localized, some appreciation of its severity can be gauged by the fact that over 40 windows were shattered by the blast.

As could be expected, considerable damage resulted, but not nearly as much as might have been anticipated. Fortunately none of the staff were injured in any way.

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After the evening show, which was sort of scary, I reached out to grab my little sister by the hand. We walked home together, but when we got to her "sister" turned around and ran. You see, it wasn't my sister at all—but a neighborhood boy who was holding my hand all the way home!

R.A.M.
Mallaig, Alta.

As a traveling salesman, I visited the store of one of my accounts in a small town. While we talked, an elderly lady with a shawl on her head opened the store door and stood hesitating there. Assuming she was a beggar, I walked over to her and gave her a coin, only to have my customer say, indignantly, "Why, sir, this is my mother!"

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She Saved Them



WALKING OUT onto the treacherous ice of a quarry pool in Cartiersville, near Montreal, Mary cheer pulled from freezing waters two little boys who are seen above being lectured by the 22-year-old heroine. On the left sits Gilbert Ranger, five, and elder brother Michael, seven.

Father Forced to Sidelines, Daughter Carries On



Barbara Lee Aylesworth, 20-year-old blonde beauty of Watford, Ontario, carries on the publication of her father's weekly newspaper, the Watford Guide-Advocate, while he is laid up because of a heart ailment. Barbara Lee has assumed all responsibility for getting out the paper. Left: She looks up a



form containing the story that she has just written. Like many weekly publishers, Barbara Lee not only writes the news and helps out in the composing room, but sells advertising space to local merchants. Right: Barbara Lee points out to an advertiser the merits of running a timely advertisement suitable to the season.



DOWN SHE GOES—After being tied up idle for the bottom as workmen began the task of pumping this former Canadian Navy Fairmile sank toiling her out and raising her back again. It is beneath the bottom of her berth in the Lachine Canal injured her plates were damaged when frozen in Montreal recently. She is shown here resting on the ice.



TYPICAL OF THE DUTCHMEN met by Canadian soldiers is this pipe-smoking fisherman of quaint old Volendam. The Canadians found that in many parts of Holland the inhabitants' clothing is still of the same type they wore many years ago.



UP THE RAMP TO HOME—Easily making the grade, ex-Lieut. H. L. Ward, a former patient at St. Anne's Hospital and a paraplegic, is shown entering his home in Montreal via a ramp which allows him to avoid the usual steps. This is one of the features introduced into wartime housing to help disabled veterans.



"STEAM KETTLE" HAYS SURVIVOR—D. J. Doughty, doorkeeper at the head office of War Assets Corporation in Montreal, looks extremely critical of the 100-year-old working model of a steam engine which has been turned over to the Crown Company as "surplus." Mr. Doughty himself has a venerable record having fought in the Egyptian War, and as his ribbons denote, he was in at World War I as well.

News Oddities

T-Day

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — It was recently T-Day for five of the six children of Mr. and Mrs. LeLo Dugan. All five had their tonsils removed on the same day.

Lady Cowhand

CHICAGO — For the first time in the 87-year history of the Chicago stockyards, there's a cowgirl riding hard on the cows, steers and bulls. She's Mrs. Phyllis Long, 32, five feet 6½ inches tall and weighing 138 pounds.

Cat "Ghost"

LOS ANGELES — John P. Turk had been driven to near desperation in recent weeks by a mysterious caller. Answering his doorbell on numerous occasions, Turk would find no one. Finally, after such a ring, Turk searched the neighborhood and came back to his porch to find a cat, named Sally, on the porch bench, with her paw on the buzzer.

Burns Fatal

CHICAGO — Two years after George Bieniasz, 21, suffered burns on 60 per cent of his body, he died in a local hospital. Bieniasz, a utility company lineman, was burned when a blowtorch exploded in the attic of his home. In the two years he underwent 162 transfusions and 13 skin grafts — all to no avail.

Cops Get Hot-Rod

OAKLAND, Calif. — Tired of being outdistanced by teen-age hot-rodgers, police asked the City Council to authorize the purchase of a souped-up car of their own. Council did — bought an eight-cylinder 160-horse power sedan, expected to better 100 m.p.h. at a cost of \$2,800.

Alert Cop

LOS ANGELES — Just as a man held up a Wilshire boulevard cafeteria and took \$1,251 from the cashier, Policeman Val Llan, passed by and looked in. The holdup man backed out the front door, right into the arms of the waiting policeman.

Laughs Self To Death

TOKYO — Mrs. Kimino Yakura-wa laughed so much during a comedy at a movie house in Osaka, that she suffered a fatal hemorrhage of the brain.

Dreamer Wins \$1,900

BRISBANE, Australia — A plous Sydney bookseller, Vince Read, who claims he dreams the winning numbers in the state lottery, recently picked up another \$1,900 by drawing third and fourth prizes. Read, a regular churchgoer, won more than \$2,200 last year.

Follows Mate In Death

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho — As Mrs. Clyde Bralhard, 72, arrived at the door of the hospital room where her husband was, she was informed that he had died. The elderly woman, turned, collapsed and died eight minutes after her 84-year-old mate.

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Came the answer: "Startin'!" O.L.R.
Stanger, Alta.

When my three-year-old son told me he had been given an orange, I asked him: "What did you say?" He answered, "I said, 'peel it please!'"

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Mixed Incentives

"Hear about the free fight between a lot of Irishmen and Scotchmen?"
"No, what was it about?"
"The Irishmen were in it because it was a fight, and the Scotchmen because it was free."

Couldn't Fool Him

He was pickled and the policeman found him at 2 a.m. clinging to a lamp post and shouting "Lemme in!"
"There's nobody lives there," said the cop.
"Don't lie!" retorted the stow, pointing aloft. "There's a light upstairs."

Hey, That Man's In Again!

"A football's a beautiful thing, isn't it?"
"Yes, and practical, to boot."

VERY LIKELY

Wife (dealing)—In this story it says that the girl broke down and wept scalding tears. How could that be true?
Hubby — She must have been holing over with rage.

Sorry Misadventure

Heck—Have you ever had a motor mishap?
Peck—Yes, I met my wife in a garage.

Awaiting the Proposal

"Why do you call your boy friend 'Pilgrim'?"
"Because every time he calls he makes a little progress."

Walls Have Ears

They were entertaining friends in their new prefabricated home. Suddenly one of the guests sat up and listened.
"That's not mice," replied the householder. "That's the people next door eating celery."

It's Invisible

Congressman (to visitor)—Now, let there anything else around the capitol I can show you?
Visitor—There is, I'd like to have a look at that "pork barrel" I've read so much about.

Stumped

"I don't know how to fill out this question, sir."
"What is it?"
It says: "Who was your mother before she was married?" I didn't have any mother before she was married."

Revised

"I'm a self-made man."
"You're lucky. I'm the revised work of a wife and three daughters."

ALBERTA SAVING LAKES BY CONSTRUCTION OF DAMS

Alberta lakes that show signs of drying up are being saved by a program of water stabilization carried out by the provincial water resources department.

The department has given notice that lands surrounding three lakes in northwest Alberta have been reserved to pave the way for stabilization projects in that area. The lakes are Albright, Anderson and Sinclair, southwest of Spirit River near the B.C. border.

Ben Russell, provincial director of water resources, said outlets of a few lakes in Alberta are damaged each year to maintain water levels. About 2 water sta-

bilization projects have been carried out, he said. They include one at Lac Ste. Anne, west of Edmonton.

In deciding what lakes should be saved, Mr. Russell said, the department confers with Ducks Unlimited and the fish and game branch of the provincial lands and forests department.

Dams built at the edges of lakes are designed to assure a continuing water supply for domestic purposes, for the propagation of ducks, and for the protection of fishing grounds.

No definite plans have been laid for a start on the three north-western projects. Mr. Russell said he reported that water levels in Alberta this year have been higher than normal, and the water resources department is taking care that its water stabilization projects do not result in flooding.

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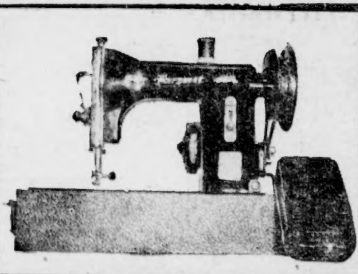
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LETTERS TO LOUISA

Dear Louisa,

I am sixteen years old and I have been dating a boy about three years. He is twenty and I am very much in love with him and he says he loves me. He asked me to marry him last fall and we decided to wait until Christmas. He had an operation and we couldn't be married then. He has not mentioned marriage since.

He is now in the Air Force and he says if I date anyone else while he is away, he won't come back to me.

I don't feel that I should sit at home while other girls and boys have fun. Please give me advice.

L. M.

Answer:

Perhaps your friend realized that you were both too young to get married last year and thought it was better to wait until he finished his time in the Army. But if he never mentions marriage to

you and has no plans for the future, I should be loathe, if I were you, to sit at home and give up all of my friends in the hope that when he comes home, he will decide to marry you.

Why not write and tell him that, since you are not planning to be married at any definite time, you think that you should have the privilege of other companionship. And then, when he comes home, you feel sure that you will care as much for him as you ever did and that if he feels the same about you then as he does now, you can both go on from there.

LOUISA.

Dear Louisa:

I have a little girl who gets along very well at school. She is very fond of basketball and wants to practice for the team every afternoon.

Now, this is my problem, when she devotes so much time to basketball she doesn't have time to do her lessons properly and yet I think she needs the exercise, as she seems to be healthier and happier since she has been on the team.

What would you advise me to do?

Mother.

Answer:

I would let her keep on with her basketball if I were you. After all, what we get out of books is only a part of what we need in this life.

We need good, healthy bodies and healthy minds. We need to know how to get on with other people and the value of good team work and good sportsmanship.

Therefore, I would let her give part of her day to work, and part to play.

It is a mistake, I think, to require a child to stay in school all the morning and then to spend the afternoon doing homework.

The ideal school is the one where the children do all of their studying there and have no home work or, at the worst, very little.

LOUISA.

Love Conquers All

COLDWATER, MICH.—Mrs. Minnie Green charged John Arch, 60, with assault and battery. Arch spent the week-end in jail. When they appeared before the justice of peace, Mrs. Green said they had settled their troubles out of court. They had been married.

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HOW THE R.C.A.F. HELPED SANTA IN THE ARCTIC

OTTAWA—Though Santa and Christmas have gone for more than a month, the tremendous job Santa had to do in the Arctic is still worthy of mention. The assistance lent to Santa by the RCAF rates high commendation.

Christmas air drops this year were made at such widely scattered spots as Nottingham Island, Resolution Island, Isaachsen, Arctic Bay, Cape Hopes Advance, Mould Bay, Eureka and Alert all located in Santa's back-yard.

The most northerly station, Alert, is over 2,500 miles north of Montreal, just under 600 miles from Santa's workshop at the North Pole.

Taking over from Saint Nick this year were two RCAF squadrons, 426 transport squadron based at Dorval, P.Q., and 412 transport squadron based at Rockcliffe, Ontario. While 426 North Star aircraft visited the stations farthest from the mainland in the western and far northern Arctic, 412 Dakota's made the drops in the eastern Arctic.

Preparations for the Christmas drops started many months ago. Back in October the Department of Transport notified each family concerned that a Christmas delivery would be made by the RCAF. They were also advised to have any parcels and mail in the hands of the RCAF by mid-November for parcelling in the special heavy canvas containers used for dropping purposes. While some supplies were parachuted to the detachments, the majority were "free-dropped" and were therefore subject to damage if not securely wrapped.

Around the first of December the heavily bundled Xmas gifts were assembled at Fort Churchill, Man., and Goose Bay, Labrador ready for the transport squadrons and the weather to make delivery possible. Then around the middle of December they were picked up by the aircraft and flown to the various remote locations. The weather is the chief factor in any Arctic flying and the aircraft must be ready to take-off on the first sign of good weather. Incidentally the weather reports that the aircrew use to plan their flights were assembled from the weather detail sent out by the very people who will receive the Christmas parcels.

The dropping of the supplies is always an exciting time for the weathermen. For many months the only sign of civilization some 2,000 miles to the south has been the summer ship which made its yearly visit to unload heavy equipment and rations in August. Since that time visitors have been nonexistent. The day of the drop begins early for the entire detachment. With the help of the Eskimos who live close by the weather shacks in their Igloos, large oil drums are carried to a clear area away from the buildings, to mark the dropping zone. Roaring fires are lit in the drums as a guide to the aircraft and these are attended eagerly by all hands. Due to the small amount of daylight at this time of year, roughly two hours of twilight in December, the fires are a necessity if the aircraft is to find the dropping area. The landscape below the aircraft is one of unending whiteness, broken only here and there by a few rounded hills. The shorelines blend into the ice-covered sea making it impossible to tell water from land. Only the navigator huddled over his charts can successfully guide the plane to its destination.

Once the aircraft flies over the detachment, however, there can be



RCAF PLAYS SANTA CLAUS—To most people Christmas symbolizes renewal of friendships, the exchange of gifts, parties, and the warmth and intimacy of the family group around the fireside. For the men who staff the isolated Department of Transport weather stations in the Canadian Arctic, however, there can be no family reunion, but the RCAF lends what aid it can to mitigate the rigours of the men doing a responsible job far away from home. Two RCAF Transport Squadrons, 126 based at Dorval, P.Q., and 412 at Rockcliffe, Ont., took over from St. Nicholas this year to deliver 3,000 pounds of parcels and mail in the weathermen in widely scattered areas of the far north. In top left, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gee of London, Ont., are seen busily packing

no doubt that this is the right spot. Down below can be seen every member of the detachment, heavily bundled in parkas and surrounded by the Eskimos waving their greetings. The huskie dogs and the Eskimo children must find this an equally exciting time for they can be seen running and jumping around the main group.

Dropping the Christmas bundles is an exciting job, for to make a successful drop the aircraft must fly no more than fifty feet from the ground. The pilot first makes a preliminary run over the oil

barrels to survey the dropping area and check the wind speed and direction. Close the bundles must be dropped accurately to avoid hitting the people on the ground or looting them in the deep snow if a first drop is always a tense moment for both aircrew and the weathermen.

When the pilot has made his decision on the best approach angle, he throttles back the engines to make the run over the area at the lowest possible speed. At the drop signal from the pilot the men by the cargo door heave out the heavy



gifts for their son Bill who has been stationed at Arctic Bay for two years. Left centre shows RCAF groundcrew loading the bags of mail and parcels aboard a North Star aircraft at Dorval, bottom left. After carefully surveying the intended area, the parcels were parachuted out where they were eagerly awaited by the men below who wave their thanks. Top right: This portion of the map of Canada's northland shows where the various drops were made. Bottom right: This shows the final phase of the successful operation with the weatherman reading the letters from his friends and loved ones at home, while in the cold, grey skies overhead, the RCAF transport aircraft head back for home with their crews in a warm glow of a good job well done.

tundles and they plunge toward the excited group below.

This was the moment for which everyone has waited. As the load of the bundles fall the whole detachment ran forward to retrieve them, the Eskimo children and the huskies in front, while the Department of Transport men can be seen waving to the aircraft as it thunders overhead.

As the aircraft turns for home the men can be seen loading the parcels and the mail bags onto sleds. To the aircrew it is always a little sad to turn away without

even a handshake and a few Merry Christmases. But to the men on the ground this was a wonderful day. One that will be discussed for many months to come.

Truly, to these men the sound that has replaced Santa's sleigh bells is the powerful hum of the RCAF aircraft engines echoing across the frozen tundra. And if Santa is too busy elsewhere to pay a visit to these remote detachments dotted across the Arctic, the weathermen don't really care, as long as the RCAF will substitute for him.

Calfhood Vaccination Against Bang's Disease

Vaccination to prevent various diseases is an accepted practice in human and veterinary medicine. With cattle, vaccination against blackleg has saved thousands of head. Calfhood vaccination against Bang's disease has proven very effective in Alberta in reducing losses in infected herds and preventing losses in clean herds.

The vaccination of heifer calves from 4-9 months of age gives them a good resistance so that when they mature they will not lose their calves prematurely. At least

on hundreds of thousands of calves vaccinated in Canada and the United States vaccination has proven to be about 95 per cent effective in preventing such losses. Over a period of 4-6 years a complete herd with a resistance against the disease can be built up.

As the vaccinated heifers mature and go as herd replacements into the beef or dairy herd, older cows that are infected with Bang's disease should be sold for slaughter. In this way, a cattleman will be able to practically eliminate the disease in a few years.

That has been done at the University of Alberta, by ranchers and dairymen in the province. Good herd management though, has to be practiced at all times to give the best results.

Calfhood vaccination has proven to be an effective and practical way to prevent and control Bang's disease of cattle. It should be practiced in clean herds as well as infected ones. Start building up a Bang's resistant herd now. Protect your income and health of your family. Remember, the disease can cause undulant fever in humans.

Contact your veterinarian to vaccinate your calves or list them with your District Agriculture Service Board. A bulletin on the disease is available at the District Agricultural office.

The Alberta Department of Agriculture recommends calfhood vaccination coupled with good herd management as an economical and practical way to prevent and control the disease. The cooperation of all cattlemen will be greatly appreciated in building up Bang's resistant herds by having all heifer calves vaccinated this fall.

PUBLIC CO-OPERATION NEEDED FOR EFFECTIVE CIVIL DEFENCE

By D. A. PETRIE, Deputy Controller

EDMONTON — Recently an exercise, simulating the results from the explosion of a normal atomic bomb, was carried out. Carefully, the number of casualties, dead, and homeless were calculated, and the tremendous problem of restoration laid before a large number of persons interested in Civil Defence.

The enormity of the problem brought out clearly the great numbers of CD workers required to carry out this task. It was also clearly demonstrated that a vast number of highly trained personnel would be required. More people in fact than there are at present in the city.

To understand this apparent paradox let us look at the map of the city. The city is seven miles long from north to south, and six miles from east to west, an area of approximately 40 square miles. The river cuts the city into two unequal parts. The northern portion being the larger.

The northern portion of the city is divided, for the purpose of Civil Defence, into three sub-divisions. Sub-division A runs from the City's west boundary to 121st Street; Sub-division B from 121st Street to 97th Street, and Sub-division C from 97th Street to the east boundary of the City.

South of the river there are two Sub-divisions. Sub-division D from the west boundary to 164th Street and Sub-division E from 164th Street to the East boundary.

These Sub-divisions have been selected along geographical lines and were made to facilitate control of the situation. Thus, if Sub-division B were damaged, help could come from Sub-division A or C. The same applies to Sub-division D and E on the south side of the river could likewise support each other.

A point was chosen as the bomb-fall for this hypothetical atomic bomb. The devastated area 1 mile in diameter from this location would include many of our technical services and thus provide the greatest number of problems. The power plant, communication—road, rail, telephone, telegraph, teletype, would all be seriously affected. Large buildings housing important living needs would be destroyed—Food, clothing, gas, oil, machinery, trucks, cars, building supplies, practically everything supplying the wholesale needs, lies in this area. The natural gas supply would be seriously affected. Roads would be pitted with debris. People would be killed, trapped in fallen buildings and wounded.

Outside of this devastated area would be a ring of burning buildings 4 1/2 mile deep and approximately 3 miles in circumference, containing trapped, wounded and dead. Beyond this area of destruction would be shattered homes suffering varying degrees of damage, but without glass in windows, the windows and with doors and roofs strained and damaged by the blast. The inhabitants, however, would be mostly uninjured but suffering from mild shock. It would be from this area that help for the helpless would be drawn. Let us stop the picture and survey the situation.

There would be thousands of people killed and about twice as many injured; more than half of the injured would require hospital treatment, and the homeless would run to fantastic numbers. All utilities, food supplies, and medical supplies would be cut off. If we had no pre-arranging and no Civil Defence organization we could not find out what had happened, nor be advised what to do, nor how we would have no organization.

163,984 DP's Entered Canada

OTTAWA — A total of 163,984 displaced persons were admitted to Canada as immigrants between April, 1947, and March 31, 1952.

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 1952, 16,176 immigrants were an increase of 147 per cent over the previous fiscal year.

The total largest for any year since 1912, included 4,614 displaced persons from Europe.

There were 49,102 British, 7,384 French and 146,726 representing 38 other racial groups.

tion to do it.

But you cannot say "Let there be a Civil Defence," and have it. I do not say this irreverently. There can be no Civil Defence Organization without YOU. You are a part of the Civil Defence machine and the operation of that machine depends on your knowledge, training and co-operation. You cannot ask someone else to give you security. Your neighbor depends on you and you will have to depend on your neighbor. Are you satisfied with his knowledge and training? Are you satisfied with your own? Will you, like Robert Burns' mouse, survey your "Wee bit house now in ruin" and run away "with nothing new to build a new one?" Run away? Where? Of course this is the proper procedure for a mouse, but thinking human beings will have to devise something better.

Now we have the nucleus of a Civil Defence organization. We have done a lot of pre-planning. All the heads of our city services have discussed such a situation as I have outlined, but by this time you must realize that such a disaster is not only far beyond the powers of the civil services which struggle to maintain our growing city in these expanding times; the restoration will require help from outside the city—fire brigades from Red Deer, Fort Saskatchewan, and all the towns around, and most of all help from YOU. But we won't have time to tell you what to do when the bomb has happened, but we can tell you now. Do you want to listen? Sure you do. Well, get in touch with your Civil Defence Training Headquarters, phone 43575, and if you can't get us on the phone, come and see us. We're here waiting and working too. Don't think we don't need you. We do. In fact, your neighbor, your family, your Civil Defence organization needs YOU!

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Well-Known Resident Passes

BON ACCORD — Funeral services for Mrs. Emma Schneider were held at the United Church Thursday, January 15. Rev. George Sauder officiated and interment took place in the Bon Accord cemetery.

Many beautiful floral tributes were there from the family and friends.

Mrs. Schneider passed away in her home Sunday, January 11. Most sincere sympathy is extended to the family on the loss of their beloved mother from all their friends and neighbors in the Bon Accord district.

Mrs. Schneider will be greatly missed by all, as she was keenly interested in all community affairs, a willing worker and a good friend.

Home & School Association Meets

ST. ALBERT — Home and School Association was held on the evening of January 21, in the school auditorium. The meeting was well attended. Sister Polner, teacher of grade six, won the honor for having the most pupils' parents present.

Miss Lewis, home economist for the university, spoke on school lunches. She had many new ideas to offer, and also showed sample lunches. Miss Purdie, provincial health nutritionist, spoke briefly on the same subject.

It was decided to hold three whist parties in the school auditorium during Lent. At the third party a prize will be offered for the highest aggregate. It is hoped that these will be well-attended, as the objective is to buy lunch tables on which school lunches can be served. Prizes and lunch will be given at each party. Watch your gazette and town posters for these coming events.



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ST. ALBERT Alberta

St. Albert News Briefs

The Gazette is sorry to report that Harry O'Toole is in the hospital.

The St. Albert CYO hockey team lost out to Vinny by 4 to 1 in a game played at Vinny Sunday, Jan. 25.

The Old Timers' Association held their annual dance in the St. Albert Community Hall on Friday, Jan. 23. It is reported that there was a good attendance and that everyone enjoyed it.

Don't forget the St. Albert Students' Union annual Star-Lite dance in the Community Hall on Friday, Feb. 6. Everybody welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fleming arrived home from a three-week trip by air. They report a wonderful time, having visited Salt Lake City, Los Vegas, Los Angeles, Santiago and Mexico.

On January 26 the St. Albert 4-H Sewing Club met at Mrs. Claire Donnellville's home. The Home Economist, Miss Ruth Whaley, was present. She looked at the girls' aprons and projects. She also brought different kinds of material which were had to name and also tell for what each is used.

Shiny, dark-blue beetles, the size of ladybirds, are almost miraculously succeeding where chemicals have failed in the extermination of goat-weed, a scourge of British Columbia farmers.



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